

NEWSLETTER

Principal's News

Kia ora koutou

I know it's Term 3, and I'll definitely share news about that, but before I do, I just have to acknowledge a few events that took place at the end of Term 2...

Puanga Night Market: Thank you to everyone who attended our Puanga Night Market. This has to be one of my favourite events of the year as the main focus of this event is to bring our community together to connect, reflect, acknowledge and set goals for the coming year.

Hangi Fundraiser: The final figures aren't in yet as we're still waiting on some accounts to arrive but we estimate that we've raised in excess of \$1500! A huge thank you to Max Tai and his team, and to all the community helpers who supported us with this - It was yum!!

PJ Day & Manaia Community Bake Off for Starship: What an amazing double treat this was! Our children thoroughly enjoyed our PJ day, but getting to see all the amazing entries for the Manaia Community Bake Off for Starship was such a special treat! Thanks heaps to Talicha and Jadē for allowing us to host your event! \$451 was raised for Starship on the day. This was almost twice as much as they were hoping for so it was an extremely successful event!

Vicki Meijer Farewell: In the midst of all the happy occasions we also had to say farewell to Vicki Meijer, Beach Energy's Senior Community Relations Manager. This was definitely a tough farewell as Vicki has been on a very long journey with us. She has organised funding for our ākonga to attend educational experiences, including Puke Ariki, Rotokare Scenic Reserve Trust and Cape Egmont Boat Club. As well as providing us will our school van, Vicki also organised transport to many events. She has arranged sponsorship for Duffy Books and supported our students to have hauora and art sessions with local artist Paul Rangiwahia. She also arranged funding for the fabulous art piece from Paul that sits at the end of our main corridor. We'll miss Vicki immensely but also hope that she enjoys a very well deserved retirement.

TERM 3: With that all covered, check out the many positives that we've started off with in Term 3...

WE WON THE MILK BOTTLE CHALLENGE and the \$1000 PRIZE for the South Taranaki section!!! A big 'Thank You' to everyone who contributed towards this win. Every bottle top counts. We've already been told to start collecting for next year's effort so watch this space and we'll let you know when our new bin arrives!

Free Tickets from TRFU! How amazing is this! TRFU kindly donated 70 tickets for our school whānau so they can attend the Taranaki Bulls vs Thames Valley Ranfurly Shield Match right here in Manaia! Thank you so much TRFU.

TRFU/Yarrows Taranaki Bulls/Todd Energy - Planting for Tomorrow: Angie Cooper from Todd Energy has invited us to take part in another planting experience, following on from the orchard we planted last year. This year we'll be planting a mara (garden) by our hangi pit. Not all of the veggies are in season so we'll be starting with cabbages and silverbeet and hope to plant pumpkin, kumara and potatoes once we get to the other side of the frosty weather. These can then be harvested for our hangi.

Kapa haka - We are excited to have Kapa Haka starting up again this term. Matua Tipene Hall joined us for the first time this week. He brings many skill sets with him ranging from kapa haka and te reo Māori, to band, carving and to top it off, he is also a qualified teacher. We are very lucky to have him in our team!

We also have important events coming up such as **Hopes & Dreams**, a **camp meeting** next Thursday and **Board elections**. There's a lot happening so please read through our newsletter for further information.

Ngā mihi nui ki a koutou Laila and the team at Manaia School

IMPORTANT

As advised in earlier newsletters...

Please remember that school will be CLOSED

for a Teacher Only Day on Friday 1 August

as staff will be taking part in Professional Development for the new Maths Curriculum

School will be back on Monday 4 August

Enjoy your long weekend!



Teacher Only Day Friday 1 August



School Updates



2025 is an Election Year for School Boards Board elections are currently underway

School boards bring families, communities and schools together to deliver quality education for our children.



Important Election Dates:

Nomination forms have been posted out to all eligible voters on our parent roll, where names and addresses are known to us.

Nominations Close at Noon on Wednesday 6 August

If a vote is required (if more than 5 nominations are received)...

Voting papers posted out by: Wednesday 13 August

Election Day: (voting closes) 4.00pm Wednesday 10 Sept

Votes Counted: Tuesday 16 September

New Board Takes Office : Wednesday 17 September

If you, or someone you know may be interested in standing as a parent representative please get in touch.

More information around elections and the role of Parent Representatives is available from the school, or speak to one of our existing board members, Peter McNamara, Angie Cassidy, Kepa Grindlay, Karl Adamson & Te Oti Katene.

Peter McNamara - Presiding Member Manaia School Board

PJ Day & The Great Manaia Community Bake Off for Starship - 26 June













There was some beautiful baking brought in by our supportive community. Everyone who voted for their favourite cake had a chance to win the cake they voted for - and best of all \$451 was raised for Starship Foundation. Congratulations to all of the lucky winners on the day.













What's Been Happening

















As part of our celebrations everyone did lots of learning about Puanga and the important meanings of the stars. We then finished everything off with our Puanga Night Markets and hangi on 17 June. This was a great event for our school and we loved welcoming in our community to share it with us.























Important Information

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What's coming up...

- Thursday 24 June @9am Planting with TRFU/Yarrows Taranaki Bulls/Todd Energy: All whānau are welcome to join us for this experience. We'll be finishing off with a BBQ so come on down!
- Thursday 24 June @5:30pm Camp Meeting in Room 1: We'd appreciate it if all parents/caregivers of our Year 7 & 8 students attended this important meeting.
- Monday 28 June: Board Meeting @ 5.00pm
- Tuesday 29th and Thursday 31st July Hopes and Dreams Meetings: We'll be meeting with all parents and caregivers to discuss their Hopes and dreams for their child. More info will be sent home next week.
- Friday 1 August Teacher Only Day: Staff will joining the South Taranaki Kahui to take part in Professional Development organised by Ministry approved advisors for the new Maths curriculum.
- Friday 22 Aug School Fun Run: Our fabulous Fun Run is back! Parents & whānau are encouraged to come along.
- Thursday 4 September Zone Cross Country: This event is hosted by Manaia School at the Manaia Domain.
- Wednesday 10 September Wig Wednesday/Wacky Hair Day: A fundraiser day for Child Cancer.
- **Late Term 3 School Photos:** Just waiting on date to be confirmed.
- Friday 19 September: Last day of Term 3



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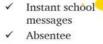
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